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Column One
By
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IF we all become silly enough, the world may one day burst out laughing and then get down to peace and good works. Field-Marshal Montgomery hankers after a Supreme Commander of the Cold War: "When politicians get completely mixed up about the cold war they hand it over to us," he said. But according to General Ridgway that would not be much use at the moment: E.D.C. is as big a muddle as the cold war and the NATO armies are still short of men and arms and practically without reserves. Not that anyone need fight anyone else at the moment: Chatham House, like Mr. Churchill, has just said that a considered investigation by its experts in international affairs confirms the view that the Soviet and Communist China "wish for the time being to avoid a world war." And Mr. Nixon, Republican vice-presidential candidate, has just said that when Mr. Truman took office seven years ago "there were nine of us to every Communist: today there are five Communists to every three of us." Now that Truman has been given the credit hitherto claimed by Stalin, the answer to world problems is simple and should be given at the U.S. polling booths next month.

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IN any case the best policy is to let Asians fight Asians said General Eisenhower; and to let Capitalists fight Capitalists, said Mr. Stalin in one of his voluminous lectures to the Moscow Conference. And to keep the balance, adds Mr. Trygve Lie, U.N. should have a volunteer force of 60,000 men. Whatever all this adds up to, it is costing the U.S. $2,000m. every month, $24,000m. a year — an enormous sum of money which Aneuran Bevan thinks the Americans can be persuaded, by calling them rude names, to spend on backward countries. But what is a backward country? Tunisia, Morocco? The Arab and some Asian countries, who presumably are not backward and are never unkind to minorities and would never dream of doing anything contrary to the letter and spirit of the San Francisco Charter, think not Tunisians or Moroccans are backward, but the French; and intend to say so at UN.

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THE French will have none of it; because although the U.N. says its organization is the place to air the kind of grievance the Asians and the Arabs have against France, it also says that the U.N. has no right to intervene in matters "essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any state." As it is hard to know what is a "situation which might lead to international friction," France and the Asian-Arab bloc can be equally right and equally wrong. General Templer in Malaya has an easier problem. The other day he marched into a Malayan school and saw on the wall a portrait of Dr. Sun Yat-sen: "Have that picture removed by four o'clock," he said. It is simpler to get rid of a picture of Sun Yat-sen than to liquidate Kenya's Mau Mau, a secret organization of African killers of which there is no proven evidence but much fear and which has caused the Kenya Legislative Council to impose a series of emergency laws that would do credit to the most totalitarian of totalitarian states.

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THE Western circus barker stands at the flap of his tent and shouts: "Come in, come in! Watch how we save Western Civilization;" and the Eastern barker stands at his and shouts "Come in, come in! See how the Fascist Imperialist war-mongers writhe. Watch us save the Revolution." And to give us the thrill we delight in, U.S. Assistant Secretary for Air James Hill promises us all "a single bomb with the explosive power of all the bombs dropped in the second World War;" and a ninety-day decisive phase "which would involve an atomic slugging match." More than that we can hardly expect for our money. But "the monopoly of the U.S. in this field has been ended," said Georgi Malenkov. The Soviet has bombs as good as America's any day. Hurrah for the millennium!

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ONE day, perhaps, we shall see all this and see it whole and get our sense of humour back and burst out laughing. Even the Russians have been known to laugh.

Tel Aviv, October 8,

Iran Asks 20m. Pounds And Reopening of Talks

Demands British Act in Week

TEHERAN, Wednesday. — Persia demanded a lump sum of £20m. from Britain and invited an Anglo-Iranian Oil Company mission to come here within the next week to negotiate a settlement of the oil dispute in a note to Britain published here today.

The note handed over yesterday by Premier Mohammed Mossadegh to British Charge d'Affaires George Middleton said that the £20m. should be convertible into dollars.

It would represent the first payment of the £49m. demanded by Mossadegh in his note of September 24. The remaining £29m. should be paid at the conclusion of the proposed talks.

Dr. Mossadegh insisted that the company's mission should have full negotiating powers and should arrive in Teheran by next Monday for talks which, he envisaged, should not exceed three weeks.

The 450-word document demanded that the spot payment of £20m should be convertible into dollars, but did not specify that the remaining £29m. be also covertible although it requested that the latter sum be "placed to the credit of the Iranian Government at the end of the negotiations."

'Matter of Regret'

Dr. Mossadegh called it a "matter of regret" that recent Anglo-American replies did not make any reference to his earlier counter-proposals and said, "I find it necessary to inform you again that the object of my counter-proposals was to avoid wasting time and to find a way of investigating the claims of the former oil company and the Iranian Government. Now I once again with the same object in view declare my readiness for discussion and the settlement of this problem."

Premier Mossadegh again warned Britain of unspecified consequences if his demands are not accepted. "Your Excellency's attention," the note said, "is particularly drawn to the point that the Iranian Government has always indicated the serious consequences of a delay in reaching a rapid and final solution of the differences. You are once again reminded of the impossibility of the continuation of this state of affairs and any eventuality arising from the pursuit of this policy is not the responsibility of the Iranian Government."

The Persian Premier said Britain's reply of last Saturday to his counter-proposals was "documentary evidence" of Persia's right to nationalize her oil, operate the industry as she desired and sell her produce to any and all customers. The British reply, he added, was also a recognition that Britain did not intend to revive the 1933 Anglo-Iranian Oil concession which Persia regards as invalid.

The note concluded with the expectation that the "complete good will of the Iranian Government towards a just solution of differences which has been affirmed in this note will be received and made use of." (Reuter, UP)

(See Leader — p. 4)

American Tankers On Way to Abadan

WASHINGTON, Wednesday.— The State Department spokesman, Mr. Lincoln White, yesterday said the Department had received word to confirm reports that American tankers are en route to Abadan. Mr. White declined further comment.

In Teheran yesterday, a Persian oil official said the American oil man, Mr. William Alton Jones of the Cities Service Corporation who recently visited the oilfields there, has sent equipment needed by the oil industry. The equipment, which has already arrived, was sent at the request of the National Iranian Oil Company.

"The New York Times" said today that Mr. Jones was preparing a special report for Premier Mossadegh. An article on the financial page said Mr. Jones "as a result of his visit to Iran is convinced the nation's prolific oil industry can be operated to the benefit of all concerned." The refinery at Abadan is in 'good shape' and ready for almost immediate operation, according to the oil magnate.

"It is a matter of lining up good technicians to do the job. He has his eye on Dutch engineers," the report added.

London Expected To Reject Persian Bid

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Britain will not send a new mission to Persia to negotiate a settlement of the oil dispute until the principles for compensating the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company for the loss of its industry have been agreed between London and Teheran, according to informed circles here today.

Britain is also expected to reject the Persian demand for an immediate advance of £20m. Britain has steadfastly rejected the claim on the grounds that the agreement was never ratified by Persia.

Despite disappointment at what is considered here to be a continued lack of realism in Dr. Mossadegh's stand, there is satisfaction that he has not taken the threatened plunge of rupturing relations between the two countries.

PERSIA QUERIES SOVIET VIEW ON FISHERY PACT

TEHERAN, Wednesday (AP). — The Persian Foreign Ministry released the text of a note to the Soviet Government requesting the latter's views on the expiry date of the Caspian Fisheries Agreement on Oct. 1. The Russians reportedly maintain that the agreement has several months to run.

The agreement was signed on October 1, 1927.

85 Known Killed In Triple Train Crash at Harrow

HARROW, Wednesday (AP). At least 85 persons were killed in a freak three-way train collision which wrecked Harrow railroad station today and piled broken coaches into a mound 50 feet high.

As rescue squads dug grimly through the debris of smashed and twisted coaches and locomotives more than eight hours later, railway officials said the death toll might top 120. At least 170 were under treatment in hospitals. Hundreds received first aid.

The fantastic collision, involving two fast expresses and a packed suburban train, came at the peak of the morning rush into London. An express running 95 minutes late from Perth, Scotland, crashed into the rear of a local suburban train as commuters were climbing on. Seconds later a second express, bound from London to Manchester, ploughed into the wreckage. Its two locomotives leaped from the tracks and skittered along a platform of commuters waiting for other trains, mowing them down like a giant scythe.

Derailed coaches rode up on one another until the topmost smashed into a footbridge 45 feet above the tracks, knocking a huge segment out of it and plumetting an unknown number of pedestrians into the wreckage.

A railway official told reporters: "If our worst fears prove right there will be about another 40 dead in the wreckage whom we have not been able to reach yet."

London, Paris Approve Break in Korea Parley

U.N. May Be Unable to Prevent Third World War, Lie Warns

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Mr. Trygve Lie, U.N. Secretary-General, declared today that no one could be sure at present that the U.N. would succeed in preventing a third world war. The East-West tensions and conflicts persisted with undiminished intensity inside and outside the U.N., he said.

The organization's influence in the most stubborn and dangerous situations was to keep the parties talking instead of fighting — to keep the way open for new efforts at mediation, negotiation and agreement.

He believed the political problems created by new national aspirations in Asia and Africa and the economic and social problems of the under-developed countries were as grave as the East-West conflict.

M.E. Situation

Mr. Lie gave his statement as an introduction to his annual report to the General Assembly. The introduction was submitted after the report itself to be as up-to-date as possible for the 7th session of the Assembly, opening on October 14.

On the other hand, no solution was yet in sight for such critical questions as the Persian oil problem, the Anglo-Egyptian dispute, peace between Israel and the Arab states and rising nationalism in North Africa.

"At the present rate of capital flow the dangerously low living standards of the under-developed countries, instead of moving up towards the standards of the developed countries, are falling farther behind."

Expressing his belief that it should be possible to increase the present flow of capital to under-developed countries by $1,000m. a year from governmental and private sources, Mr. Lie said that mobilization of productive and financial resources in many of the developed countries, if wisely used for these purposes, might lead to improvement in the economic position of these countries.

New U.N. Members

Advocating the principle of universality to be used on the controversial membership question, Mr. Lie thought the addition of new members as rapidly as possible would strengthen the influence of the organization for peace. He admitted that the prospects for a solution this year of the deadlock on membership did not yet appear promising. The question was not simply one of admitting what were believed to be good or bad governments but of admitting states. "It is the interests of the peoples of the applicant states that should be the main concern," he said.

On Korea, Mr. Lie said that until there was an armistice it was the part of wisdom and duty under the Charter for members to carry on the fight against aggression and to do so with a more equitable sharing of the burdens.

Will Not Trade In Lives — Acheson

WASHINGTON Wednesday (UP). — The U.N. forces in Korea "shall not trade in the lives of men" in order to get the Communists to agree to a truce in that country, Secretary of State Dean Acheson said at his press conference today. The U.N. would not back down from its position that all prisoners must have a free choice as to whether they want to return to their former residence or remain as free men in other countries, he added.

But he emphasized that the U.N. was ready to negotiate with the Communists "whenever they are ready to accept any of our numerous proposals or make a constructive proposal of their own for an honest settlement of the war prisoner issue."

C.P. Bodies Raided Throughout France

PARIS, Wednesday (AP). — Police acting on orders from the Paris Military Tribunal, raided Communist front organizations and newspapers throughout France today, making 13 arrests and searching documents. An editor of the Communist newspaper "Ce Soir" said they appeared to be seeking certain party militants.

The police said nothing about the reason for the raids, although an authorized source said they had been ordered by the Military Tribunal under Article 76 of the French Penal code which concerns threats against the state's external security and demoralization of the armed forces through propaganda.

It was understood that no foreign power was at this stage considered involved. As far as was known, no leading Communists were arrested. The operations, the second to be made by Premier Antoine Pinay's Government in the past four months, began at dawn when three Communist youth movement leaders were seized in their houses.

Talks Adjourned But 'Not Ended'

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — A Foreign Office spokesman said today the Korean armistice talks could be resumed whenever the Communists had a constructive offer to make, but the U.N. had no further proposals in mind.

He emphasized the adjournment did not mean the talks had ended. "The U.N. negotiators have offered the Communist authorities a wide variety of means for getting round the prisoners of war deadlock. These offers still stand," the spokesman declared. He regretted the Communists had rejected the latest U.N. offer — "a sincere and constructive attempt to bring about an armistice."

Diplomatic quarters in Paris said the French Government fully upheld the decision to adjourn the talks indefinitely. The U.N. negotiators have shown the maximum patience and the latest proposals should have led to a successful settlement if there had been any good will on the Communists side, these quarters added.

TOKYO, Wednesday (Reuter). — The U.N. broke off the Korean truce talks today but expressed willingness to resume "when there is something to negotiate."

The truce meeting at Panmunjom today lasted 63 minutes before adjourning indefinitely. The repatriation of prisoners issue continued to block progress. The U.N. made three separate proposals on the question at the last meeting 10 days ago.

Chief U.N. delegate General William Harrison in a statement said, "It should now be clear the U.N. Command will never agree to any proposition which violates its basic principle of no forced repatriation. The U.N. will not come here merely to listen to abuse and false propaganda."

He told the Communists any solution they offered to the prisoners deadlock must be made in writing through the liaison officers before the U.N. Command would consider returning to Panmunjom to discuss it. After the session he told reporters, "This does not mean the talks are over. We are prepared to negotiate when there is something to negotiate."

U.N. Supreme Commander General Mark Clark in a statement said, "It is now up to the Communists to show whether they want an armistice. Today they have rejected our proposals. They have still made no constructive proposal of their own."

Chief Communist delegate General Nam Il said the U.N. would have to take the blame for holding up a settlement. He said the U.N. proposals at the last meeting contained nothing new and the Communists had rejected similar moves as far back as last February.

On the fighting front the Chinese Communists for the second successive night hurled waves of troops against the U.N. all along the line. Eighth Army headquarters at Seoul estimated Communist artillery had fired nearly 100,000 shells along the line in the 24 hours ending midnight last night.

Some 1,000 Communists at dawn renewed the attack on the White Horse mountain, one of the main fighting areas north-west of Chorwon, but heavily outnumbered U.N. troops held their ground.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

U.S. Commandant in Berlin General Lemuel Mathewson last night protested to Soviet authorities against a "mock attack" on a U.S. ambulance plane flying in Berlin. The protest was delivered to General N. M. Trusov, Acting Chief of Staff of the Soviet occupation forces in Germany.

Iraqi Opposition Threatens Strike

The five Iraqi opposition parties meeting separately in Baghdad on Tuesday decided to declare a country-wide strike against the present caretaker Cabinet unless Premier el Omari takes energetic steps to wipe out corruption, ANA reported yesterday.

The parties in a joint proclamation later said no reason exists why Iraq should fail, after the Lebanon succeeded, in bringing down its corrupt Cabinet through a general strike. The Iraqi Government, although paying no direct attention to the threat, warned it would invoke emergency regulations against the strikers and added it will not resign under pressure.

The parties also demanded an immediate change in the election law.

Jordan Guilty Of 42 Breaches

Jordan was found guilty of 42 violations of the Armistice Agreement, the Mixed Armistice Commission ruled at its meeting yesterday.

Israel was blamed for one violation, the Army spokesman added.

An Arab watchman, Mahmud Elian, 65, was killed by unknown persons on Tuesday night near Jerusalem. He was twice shot in the back.

Shortly after midnight, residents of the quarter heard shots followed by cries for help in Arabic. Police, who were rushed to the scene, found Elian, a watchman for the Herut cooperative, lying on some pipes he had been guarding.

According to "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, eight Israel soldiers were killed or wounded during a one-hour battle near the Idna village in the Hebron area on Monday afternoon. Three groups of fully-armed Israel soldiers, leading mules carrying equipment, including mines, infiltrated three kilometres inside Jordan territory where they were met by National Guard patrols, the paper charged.

After the battle, the Israelis reportedly withdrew to their lines, leaving behind large quantities of military equipment. The NEARS correspondent in the Old City said over 30 automatic weapons and a large quantity of explosives was among the abandoned equipment.

General B. De Ridder, the Mixed Armistice Commission chairman, accompanied by Jordan MAC members, arrived at the scene Tuesday afternoon to open investigations. Jordan has submitted a protest to the MAC, the paper claimed.

Moscow Congress Views 5-Year Plan

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter).—The 19th U.S.S.R. Communist Party Congress today began discussing the new 5-year plan which calls for a 70 per cent increase in total industrial production.

Chairman of the State Planning Commission Maxim Saburov reported on the plan, according to Moscow Radio.

This morning's speakers included Czech Premier Klement Gottwald, Deputy Secretary-General of the Italian Communist Party Luigi Longo and Liu Shao-Tse of Communist China.

Speaking before the Congress yesterday, M. Lavrenty Beria, member of the Politbureau, said: "American imperialists who fattened on two world wars are intoxicated by the delirious idea of establishing their world domination and are again pushing peoples towards the abyss of a world war, although there is no doubt whatever that, having unleashed war, they will hasten their own ruin."

M. Beria said the destinies of the USSR and of states and peoples in Europe and Asia were decided by the Soviet victory in the last war.

He acclaimed the progress of the "new socialist nations" and the Soviet Union as a triumph of Communist national policy. Before the revolution, he said, Soviet Central Asia did not differ from the neighbouring lands — Turkey, Persia and Afghanistan — but now, 35 years after the revolution, "Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Kirghisia, Tajikistan and Turkmenia, with a total population of 17m., produce three times more electric power than the group of Middle East countries with a population of 156 million."

U.S. Contributing To Middle East Peace

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett said tonight that the U.S. was contributing towards peace in the Middle East by helping Israel, although there was no peace, and by manifesting that it was not necessary to sacrifice Israel's friendship in order to gain that of the Arab states.

The Foreign Minister was speaking at the inaugural meeting of the Israel-America Friendship League for the new year.

U.S. Ambassador Monnet B. Davis spoke briefly, congratulating the League on the work it was doing.

A meeting of the Jerusalem branch of the League at the Ratisbonne was told by Mr. Abba Eban, Ambassador to the U.S., that if Israel-Arab relations were normal, cooperation between Israel and America would advance much faster.

Direct Contact

In view of the Arab attitude, however, we must always demonstrate that no contradiction exists between America's aspirations of friendship with the Arabs and her support for Israel, he said.

I have noticed an understanding between us and the U.S. in grasping that peace can only come through direct contact and negotiations.

He pointed out that the Arabs' refusal to talk with Israel was without precedent in international practice; it was "swimming against the current of international relations." The failure to make peace was not to be attributed to the problem of refugees or frontiers, but to the Arabs' refusal to recognize and meet with Israel. He mentioned the contact that existed between India and Pakistan, between the West and the Communist states and even between countries and their ex-enemies.

Noting the importance of America's economic aid, Mr. Eban stressed that the U.S. was supplying Israel with a considerable part of those assets the lack of which might have helped the Arab blockade in its efforts to strangle Israel.

Mr. Eban was introduced by Prof. A. Dushkin and thanked by Mr. G. Hausner.

Sharett to Head U.N. Delegation

HAKIRYA, Wednesday. — Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett was today named head of the Israel Delegation to the U.N. General Assembly, but he will not go to New York unless the situation there requires his presence.

The delegation, whose composition was announced today, will include only four persons not permanent members. They are the Minister to Moscow, Mr. Shmuel Eliashiv; the former Minister to Rome, Mr. Shlomo Ginossar; the head of the West-European Division, Mr. Amiel Najar, and Mr. Avraham Livran of the Ministry's U.N. Division.

The delegation will thus comprise: Mr. Sharett; Mr. Abba Eban, permanent delegate; Mr. Arthur Lourie, alternate delegate; Mr. Eliashiv and Mr. Ginossar. Alternates will be Mrs. Zina Harman, Mr. Gideon Rafael, Mr. Moshe Tov, Mr. Najar and Mr. Livran. Advisors will be Messrs. Ya'acov Shimoni, Pinhas Eliav and Michael Ragai.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said today prospects of Israel's election to the Assembly Presidium were "not bad."

(Israel and Egypt are competing for one of the seven vice-presidencies ANA reported from New York yesterday. The Egyptian decision to propose a candidate came at the last minute. The Arab-U.N. bloc is meeting to discuss whether it will support Egypt or Iran.)

He confirmed that the Israel delegation will support the candidacy of Mr. Lester Pearson of Canada for the Presidency.

BONN MAY RATIFY PACT IN NOVEMBER

BONN, Wednesday (AP).—Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the Conference of Jewish Material Claims against Germany, said here today he is hopeful that the West German Parliament will ratify the reparations agreement with Israel by the end of November.

He conferred today with Chancellor Adenauer and several members of the Cabinet.

Ma'bara Dwellers Visit Moshav

By Ya'acov Friedler
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — "From Zion shall go forth the farmer" paraphrased one of the 100 ma'bara dwellers summing up the first day of the two-day tour of rural settlements which ended at the Kiryat Motzkin ulpan here today. It is better to get to the source of bread rather than wait for a day's work to earn it, the new immigrant said.

This was the second of two tours arranged by the Jewish Agency and the Government Information Department aimed at showing the country to inhabitants of the densely populated areas around Tel Aviv and to influence them into settling on farms. Today's group was led by Mr. Y. Wolfberg, of the Tel Aviv Press Information Office.

At Kfar Yehoshua

Travelling in buses, the newcomers today visited the North Athlit moshav and after dinner at the ulpan travelled to the Zevulun and Jezreel valleys. At Sha'ar Ha'amakim they were absorbed by the ruins of the ancient Bet She'arim synagogue. Later the convoy continued to Kfar Yehoshua where the social structure of the smallholders' village was explained.

Most of the newcomers were from Oriental countries and represented tens of thousands of ma'bara dwellers to whom they are to describe what they saw of agriculture. Some newcomers refused to go on the tour following pressure from extreme political parties who reportedly were intent on wrecking the scheme "because the Government wants it to succeed."

The organizers of the tours do not expect them to be followed by a sudden rush to the land, but hope that eventually they will influence some newcomers to make up their minds. They also want to show the country to people who have not yet seen it, to convince them that it is more than Tel Aviv.

GADNA REVAMPED

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Gadna has been reorganized and put under Area Commanding Officers, Aluf Mishneh Haim Ben-David told correspondents here today. This change is expected to bring about greater efficiency and facilities in pre-military training of young men and women between the ages 15 and 18.

Gadna commanders will assume the title of Chief Gadna Officer, but otherwise there will be no changes in the structure or methods of the corps.

Taxi Driver Suspect Remanded; Belonged to Altalena Assoc.

By Victor Segev, Jerusalem POST Reporter

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The 23-year-old taxi driver, Gavriel Lichtman, who was charged today with "conspiring" together with Dov Shilanski to deposit explosives in a building of the Foreign Ministry at Hakirya, was remanded in custody for 15 days by Magistrate B. Giladi. Lichtman was also charged with carrying explosives, under the same section of the law as the charges against Shilanski.

The police prosecutor, Mr. Yehoshua Ben Ari, said that the investigation of the case was very involved and might be hampered by the release of the accused on bail.

Lichtman's lawyer, Mr. Yehuda Zemach, who had been engaged by his family, together with Dr. Oscar Rosenberg, who did not appear today, claimed that the section covering the carrying of explosives (66A of the Criminal Code) had by implication been cancelled by the Firearms Act passed by the Knesset.

The Magistrate ruled that it was possible that the clause dealing with firearms may have been cancelled by the Act, but the latter did not legislate about explosives, and that section thus remained valid.

Cites Keinan Case

Mr. Ben Ari pointed out that the same section of the law had been recently applied in the case of Amos Keinan and Shaltiel Ben Yair.

Mr. Zemach told *The Post* that he had been briefed only this morning and that he had been permitted to see his client only for a few minutes under police supervision. He said that the accused would probably follow Shilanski's line of making no statements in the Magistrate's Court or to the police.

Lichtman, his face unshaven and showing weariness, stood quietly in the Court room and made no comment. He later said he had been treated well by the police.

It was learned today that the accused, who came to Israel in the s.s. Altalena with one other man, was one of the ship's commanders. Together with Shilanski and Loinz (arrested yesterday) he belonged to the informal "Altalena Association" which used to meet periodically. The anti-reparations campaign of this group, which forsook Mr. Begin's leadership, is believed by observers to have been planned as a curtain-raiser for their dictatorship schemes.

The authorities, who seem to be aware of these facts, confine themselves at the moment to the collection of evidence aimed at proving their guilt in the attempted bombing incident, thus giving a warning to others who might follow. It is also believed that if the group contemplates any more terrorist action, they may refrain until the completion of the trial of the accused, so as not to prejudice the case.

No further arrests were made today but the investigations proceeded at full pace.

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Social & Personal

The Acting President, Mr. Joseph Sprinzak, received Mr. A. Eban, the Israel Ambassador to the U.S., at the President's Office in Hakirya yesterday.

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Rabbi Irving Miller, President of the Zionist Organization of America, was given a reception by the Tel Aviv Municipal Council, at its meeting hall yesterday. He was greeted by Acting Mayor Haim Levanon. Later in the evening, Rabbi Miller attended a seated reception in his honour given by the Commercial and Industrial Club.

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The Minister to Moscow, Mr. Shmuel Eliashiv, and members of the Legation staff visited the [illegible] last week, it was officially announced in Hakirya yesterday.

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Mr. Francis H. Russell has been appointed as Counsellor of the American Embassy in Tel Aviv. He will replace Mr. Ervin P. Kuder, who left Israel recently for home leave and reassignment. The previously announced appointment of Mr. Garrett P. Ackerson has been cancelled. No arrival time in Israel has been yet set for Mr. Russell. He will be the ranking officer after Ambassador Monnett B. Davis in American diplomatic representation to Israel.

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Professor Roberto Bachi, of the Hebrew University and the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research, left yesterday for Canada at the invitation of the U.N. to participate in the international seminar on methods of organizing statistics. Prof. Bachi is to lecture there on problems of statistics in Israel.

CORNER-STONE LAID OF NEW CHILDREN'S HOME

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The corner-stone of the B'nai B'rith Children's Home was laid yesterday near Bayit Vegan, Jerusalem, in the presence of Mrs. Arthur G. Laufman, National Director of the B'nai B'rith Women of America, whose contribution of $250,000 enabled the building of better accommodation for 40 maladjusted children.

Judge S. Kassan of Tel Aviv, the president of B'nai B'rith in Israel, outlined the organization's work and applauded the American women's fine gesture. A representative of Rasco, which is to build those new premises, described their modern design; and the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Y. Kariv, promised that the Municipality would construct a connecting road.

Mrs. Myra Bernay

AN APPRECIATION

Friends of Mrs. Myra Bernay are mourning her sudden death on September 27. Mrs. Bernay came to Israel 17 years ago from Vienna, where she was a teacher at the Voice Conservatory.

She was a highly cultured lady, and popular among her friends and pupils. An extremely versatile woman, Mrs. Bernay taught several languages, arranged concerts, and wrote articles on singing and on the psychological factors in the artistic development of Enrico Caruso.

The passing away of such a noble figure is a great loss. Her friends and admirers bless her memory.

ALEXANDER RYGER

Property In Arab Lands May Be Registered

Israel residents with property in Arab or Arab-held territory may register their claims at the Foreign Claims Registry office, it was announced yesterday.

Categories of claims include real estate, movable property, business enterprises, patents and similar rights, securities and other properties, bank balances, supplies and other services by trade agreements and other claims.

The Arab countries listed are Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, the Yemen, Syria, Jordan and the Lebanon. Forms are available free of charge at the Foreign Claims Registry offices in Jerusalem, near the Mitzpe Building, P.O.B. 745; Hakirya, 14 Rehov Dalet; and Haifa, 53 Derech Ha'atzmaut.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

The Bomb Attempt A Sign of Fascist Terrorist Underground—'Al Hamishmar'

THE Foreign Ministry bomb affair, Israel's relations with diaspora Zionism and the coalition issue were the main themes of editorial comment in yesterday's morning papers.

"Al-Hamishmar" (Mapam) sharply condemns the bomb-attempt as a sign of a Fascist terrorist underground with sinister political aims, and urges vigilance by all democratic forces in Israel against this revival of the "Altalena" spirit. Certainly there is much genuine grief and anger in the public against the contact with the Bonn Government, but a murderous attack on the Foreign Ministry is not the way to struggle against this contact, the paper asserts, and recalls the tradition of the Israel Labour Movement which refrained from spilling innocent blood in its struggle against the foreign regime.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) emphasizes, in connection with Rabbi Miller's visit, that the State of Israel needs at the present crucial stage not only the financial help of the diaspora Jewry, but particularly their spiritual and political support. The paper charges Mapai with "Yishuvism" (Israel isolationism as against Diaspora Zionism) and favouring non-Zionists, out of despair of winning over American Zionists to its policy. "Haboker" expresses opposition to the plan of unifying all American Zionist groups in a federation, which, according to the G.Z. organ, is a new device of Mapai to win the upper hand in American Jewry.

"Herut" says that Mapai is not interested at all in Diaspora Zionists, but only in their money, and certainly is opposed to the existence of a strong Zionist Organization which might exercise a "veto" against Mapai's "totalitarian rule" in Israel.

Progressives 'Warned'

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) once more warns the Progressives against joining the coalition without the General Zionists. The electorate not belonging to the Histadrut demands those two liberal centre parties to join forces (though organizationally separated) in order to check Mapai domination, the paper says, adding that the prestige of the Progressives has increased since they left the Government a year ago. "Ha'aretz" notes that the inclination to re-enter the Government, even without the G.Z., is winning ground among the Progressive leadership. The Haoved Hazioni group particularly (the workers' wing of the Party which forms also a faction in the Histadrut and in that organization is favoured by Mapai as against Mapam!) and the small holders who are interested to get their share in Government and Agency budgets, are eager to renew the coalition with Mapai.

Religion and Politics

"Hatsofe" (Mizrahi and Hapoel Hamizrahi), comments on the Agudat Yisrael conference, which called earlier this week on Zionist-Orthodox parties to leave the Government. The paper affirms once more its view that the struggle for religious interests should continue inside the Government, and asserts that Agudat Yisrael's secession is harmful to the joint cause, and in any case was premature, since the Chief Rabbinate had not yet commented on national service of religious girls, and the details of the scheme are still under consideration of a committee headed by an orthodox personality. The rabbinical sages (who support the stand of Agudat Yisrael) should beware of being misused by smart politicians over problems which, with all due reverence, they do not understand. The only authoritative institution is, according to the Mizrahi paper, the Chief Rabbinate.

"Davar" (Histadrut) devotes its leading article to the first Conference of Ihud Hakvutsot V'Hakibbutzim, the Mapai-affiliated communal settlement movement which with 22,000 souls, comprises 40 per cent of the Kibbutz Movement. The paper appraises the achievements of the movement which was formed a year ago after the split of the Kibbutz Hameuhad and succeeded in overcoming most of the difficulties involved in the split. The paper expresses the hope that a solution will soon be found in Ein Harod also.

"Kol-Ha'am" (Communist) deals editorially with Mr. Malenkov's speech at the U.S.S.R. Communist Party's Congress, describing it as "an encouragement to peace fighters all the world over."

BRITAIN IS WINNING INFLATION BATTLE

LONDON, Wednesday (AP).—Richard A. Butler, Britain's budget boss, said Monday night that Britain is winning its battle against inflation, but warned that more austerity measures are coming.

He told an annual banquet of London bankers that government spending must be trimmed to overcome a mounting budget deficit which he called unsatisfactory but not too serious. The Chancellor of the Exchequer also hinted strongly that the British government has no intention of devaluing the pound or of setting it free in international currency exchanges. The pound is pegged at $2.80 and cannot be freely converted into dollars under present government regulations. There have been rumours in some financial circles that the government might be getting ready to make the pound freely convertible.

Mr. Butler said that at a conference of British Commonwealth ministers here next month Britain will take the lead in creating "an international system of trade and finance which will be at once more real and more lasting than that which was devised after the last world war."

British Rail Workers Refused Wage Hike

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter) Britain's State-run railways today refused a trade union demand for a 10 per cent wage increase that would cost the nation £22.5m. a year.

An arbitration tribunal considering the demand was told yesterday that the railway executive could not afford the rise. The railways gave an eight per cent rise last November.

The nationalized coal mines have refused a rise of 30 shillings a week.

Stone Age Tools Found in Fiji

FIJI ISLANDS, Wednesday (Reuter). — Five stone implements estimated at 15-20,000 years old, have been found at Pitcairn Islands in the South Pacific.

Dr. Ivor H. Beattie, local authority on Stone Age research, said here that the tools, including two axes and a mallet, were evidently remains of a culture older than any so far known to have existed in the Pacific. They were clearly of Paleolithic workmanship, he said.

Implements of the Polynesian, Macronesian and Melanesian civilizations previously found were all of the Neolithic age, Dr. Beattie said.

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ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 340 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.9, 33.3 & 522 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 12.30, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 6.00 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R). 11.00 At the Opera (R). 11.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.02 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture on Greek Themes (Glazounov); Piano Concerto (Khatchaturian); Russian Folksongs (Liadov). 1.45 Break for Music. 2.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety (R). 4.45 Popular Instruments. 5.00 Musical Miniatures (R). 5.30 Child's Corner. 6.00 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety (R). 7.05 Programme Announcements. 7.10 "The Voice of the Violin." 7.30 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 7.30 Light Music (R) (T.A.). 8.00 Report on Israel Exploration Society Conference in Jordan Valley. 8.30 Bible Reading. 8.45 Report on the "Hakhel" Celebrations. 9.15 Kol Yisrael Orchestra & Kol Zion Lagola Vocal Ensemble. Conductors: Marc Lavry & Yohanan Boehm: Sacred Melodies. 10.00 Chamber Music. 10.30 "The Lucky Listener." 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

460, 228, 217, 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Forms of Music (R). 4.45 Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Soccer Readings. 5.30 Science Studio. 5.50 Music (R). 6.00 Agricultural Corner. 6.15 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (33.3, 43.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m.; Ladino: 7.00 p.m.; Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.

Kol Zion Lagola (33.7 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "Hakhel." 11.35 Requests.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.5, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Classical Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 "Discoveries & Inventions." 7.50 Danny Kaye. 8.00 Chamber Music. 8.30 News. 8.45 Excerpts from Hansel & Gretel. 9.00 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA: Hebrew Programme. 9-9.30 p.m. (13, 16, 19 & 25 M.): This Week in New York.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (31.01 & 30.53 M.): 7.30 p.m. News. 7.40 News Talk. 7.45 The Week's Focus.

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The Price for Locally Manufactured Goods

By Our Economic Correspondent

The conflict between the new General Tyre factory and the Government over the price of tyres is important not only for the factory concerned and for the transportation system — which will have to take into account that local tyres will be at least 25 per cent dearer than imported ones, — but also for the economy as a whole.

The danger that the plant would have to close down has — at least for a time — been averted by a compromise between the Ministry of Finance and the factory managers. But the problem remains: the price for locally made tyres will be considerably higher than those imported at the official price. The position is explained in part by the fact that imported tyres are made with an admixture of synthetic rubber while the local ones are natural rubber throughout. But that is only part of the explanation. The higher price is also the result of higher production-costs and lower efficiency.

Products Expensive

These facts, highlighted by the conflict between the plant and the Ministry, are by no means new. We have known for a long time that our products — or at least many of them — are more expensive than those of other countries and that this is not the result only of a dearth of goods. It results also from a lack of efficiency on the part of management and of low output of workers. There are exceptions to this sweeping statement: there are plants which are up to international standards and farms which have reached a high level of economic performance, but they stand out as isles among the surrounding sea. There can be no doubt that an investigation into the output by man-hour would show our inability to compete.

This is not at all surprising if we take into account that we have to train workers which lack the necessary skill and that many of our industrialists lack the appropriate tradition and knowledge of streamlined production. But the facts have been blurred by the absence of competition from abroad and by the existence of an official exchange rate.

It is not easy to know the real cost of products made in this country. The cost of living is being kept down by hidden Government subsidies while very high taxes force prices up. The low official exchange-rate before last February provided agriculture and industry with very cheap capital goods. Controls assure every producer, no matter how bad or expensive his goods are, of a market and of profits. It is, moreover, not always realized that the individual farmer or manufacturer is helpless in this peculiar economic set-up. He can, to be sure, improve production methods and the quality of his output, but he is bound to an inflexible scale of wages which is determined by the high cost of everything from vegetables to shoes. The link between economic performance and wages is often as weak as that between the speed and quality of production and the rate of profitability.

Cannot Afford to Pay More

It is quite certain that in the long run we cannot afford to pay for local tyres 25 per cent more than for imported ones. We can do so for a period of transition which enables the factory to streamline production and train workers, but broadly speaking tyre-production will depend on productivity in other economic fields and on the standard of living in relation to productivity.

This truth is so obvious that it should not need stressing. It has, however, been blurred by help from abroad. This is necessary as long as the consumers which came in as immigrants have not been turned into producers. In the future, however, we shall have to pay attention not only to expansion but to the cost of production. We have been able to carry on as we do under the triple protection of help from abroad, of an artificial exchange-rate and of controls which exclude competition. We shall have to remove this protection gradually if we want to be sure that the Israel economy will be able to stand on its own feet. The example of General Tyres is only one of many.

New Brick Factory At Pardess Hanna

Jerusalem POST Reporter

A large brick factory, capable of turning out 100,000 bricks daily, is being built in the sandy wastes near the Pardess Hanna railway station. The skeleton of the building is going up and production is scheduled to begin early in 1953.

According to Mr. D. Gross, a representative of the Sylvana Company of local and Swiss investors, the factory will also produce silicate building blocks that could provide a large saving of cement and foreign currency for building material.

While digging for the foundation of the plant an abundant supply of water was found at little depth beneath the sand. The Pardess Hanna Local Council has paved a road to the plant.

Economic Notes

Loan Conversion in England

A large Government refunding operation, the terms of which had been a well-kept secret, was announced in London last Thursday. Refunds offered involve a total of £375m. in 1½ per cent Funding Stock 1952, and 2½ per cent War Bonds 1951-53. The prospectus offers refund alternatively against new issues or cash.

Tractor Production Cut

A cut in tractor production at the Banner Lane factory of the Standard Motor Co., Ltd., is due entirely to a shortage of sterling and consequent import restrictions in some of the world's biggest markets for British tractors, according to Mr. Harry Ferguson, of Coventry.

"Overseas Distributors of our tractors," he said, "have tens of thousands of orders on their books which they cannot meet owing to the Government's cutting their allowances of sterling. Among the countries mainly affected are Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, France and Turkey. The demand in these countries is so great that, in an attempt to satisfy it as quickly as possible, tractor distributors have used up their sterling allocations for the whole year and can no longer import."

French C-o-L. Rising Again

Premier Pinay's efforts to keep prices down were successful at first as the C-o-L. index (1949=100) fell gradually from 148 in March when he assumed power. August brought again a slight rise, and in September the index stood at 143.5. If it should reach 149, wages would have to be increased under the sliding scale law.

Swiss Currency

The Swiss National Council has approved the coinage decree voted over two years ago by the Upper House and incorporating emergency regulations into the legal code. Under this decree, the Swiss Franc has a fixed parity with gold and will be equal to 0.20322 grammes fine gold. It also provides for changes in the present coinage.

PARAMOUNT
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Kirk Douglas
on the occasion of his visit to Israel. Kirk Douglas, the well-known American screen actor, who is residing in Haifa, is producing a film for "Columbia", the "Big Carnival", a Paramount Film, in which he plays the main male role. "Big Carnival" will be shown at the Armon, Haifa, from October 11. The film is unusual in acting and production, full of tense situations which are accentuated by Billie Wilder, the director — one of the best in Hollywood. Kirk Douglas plays a newspaper reporter, a rough and almost brutal character, who uses a catastrophe for advancing his career. It is hoped that the artist will be present at both Saturday night performances.
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Friday, Oct. 17, at 8.30 p.m.
Sale of tickets as from Sunday, Oct. 12 at Ginsburg's, 28 Rehov Herzl.

Haifa Children Get New Playgrounds

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The children of Haifa were presented today with 16 new playgrounds scattered over the town, by the Mayor, Mr. Abba Khoushy. The entire project cost the Municipality IL.16,000. Until today there were only three playgrounds, and another 11 are to be completed by the end of 1953.

The 16 playgrounds cover a total area of 70 dunams, while the accepted standard for the town of 200,000 was between 800 and 1,000 dunams, the Mayor said. He also planned to build two stadiums, one at Kiryat Eliahu, and one at Romema. The Kiryat Eliahu project was still held up for lack of land. Of the 20 dunams necessary, only 13 have been acquired, and negotiations for the other seven were still going on with the various owners. The Kiryat Eliahu scheme was intended to seat 5,000, with a track and grandstand.

Professor Paul Medquist, a Swedish expert, is advising the Municipality on these two projects.

Rehovot Farm Station To Move By 1956

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Rehovot Agricultural Research Station will move from its present plot of 300 dunams to a larger area south of the Bet Dagon road junction within the next four years. Plans for the area include 1,000 dunams of agricultural land, 150 dunams for a museum, 150 dunams for a veterinary station, and 400 dunams for the Hebrew University's agricultural faculty.

An exhibition of plans, submitted to the competition held by the Ministry of Agriculture, was opened in the Engineers' House in Rehov Dizengoff here on Sunday, and will remain open until Thursday. The two first prizes went to Haifa architects.

The IL.1,500 prize was given to Mr. Yitzhak Werner Wolf, and the second prize of IL.800 went to the "Hamehandes" company of Haifa for a plan submitted by Mr. S. Gilad and Mr. S. Yerushalmi.

SYRIAN NEWSMEN VISIT BRITAIN

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — A group of leading Syrian journalists arrived here by air yesterday for a three-week tour of Britain as guests of the Foreign Office.

Where to go

★ JERUSALEM ★

9-7: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: Romema Bus 11. Feeding time 3-5 p.m.
9-1; 3-5: Exhibitions: Early Islamic and Persian Pottery, from the collection of Mr. Harry Philipps. Modern Dutch graphic art. New acquisitions. Exhibit of the month: Shahnameh: The Book of the Kings by Firdawsi. Illustrated Persian Manuscript, 1649 C.E. 1059 H.) Lent by Mr. Harry Philips. Bezalel Museum.
10-1; 4-7: Autumn Exhibition of Jerusalem Artists. Artists House.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition. Dept. of Antiquities. Also: Temporary exhibition — Recent acquisitions. 2b Rehov Shlomo Hameleoh.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30: Film Shows at Keren Hayesod Office.

★ TEL AVIV ★

10-1, 4-7: Exhibition of Paintings by M. Avald, Katz Gallery, 97 Rehov Dizengoff.
8.30 p.m.: "Arsenic and Old Lace." Chamber Theatre, Mograbi Hall.
8.30 p.m.: "Lady Precious Stream." Chamber Theatre, Ohel Shem Hall.

★ HAIFA ★

11-1, 4-6: Memorial Exhibition by Aharon Avni. Municipal Museum.
4-7 p.m.: Exhibition of Paintings by [illegible], Artists' House, 22 Rehov [illegible].

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

5, 7 & 9 p.m.

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Navy Win Services Swimming Championship

The Navy topped their rivals in the Israel Services Swimming Championships, at the Bat Galim pool last week, gaining 94 points to win the Services title. Next were Training Command with 85½ points, followed by Northern Command (36½), the Air Force (19), Central Command (11), with the Southern Command (5) last.

The sailor Arnon Tur spearheaded his side's victory, gaining two firsts and as a member of the successful relay team in the 3×100 metre mixed event, Tur registered very good times. In the 100 metre crawl he clocked 1:04.0, which is only 01.0 seconds outside the Israel record, beating Nest, Training Command, who timed 1:05.8. In winning the 400 metre crawl, Tur's time of 5:29.6 was only 1.9 seconds short of the Israel record, and in this event he beat Nahum Buch, Training Command, Israel's Olympic swimming representative, who came second im 5:35.8.

The Navy's team of Liss, Paz and Tur were first in the 3×100 metre mixed style relay in 3:55.0 (the record is held by B.M.A. at 3:54.2), with Training Command, second, 4:03.7, and Northern Command third, 4:06.2. The sailorboys' foursome, Spitzer, Kobi, Rehan, Agum-Lavan, clinched the 4×50 metres crawl relay in 2:06.4 with Training Command again second in 2:11.5.

Other prominent Israel swimming names were noted among the winners. Buch carried the 100 metres back-stroke event in 1:22.0 with Kaplivitski, Northern Command, second in 1:25.0, and the Navy's Liss third in 1:25.5. There was an exciting race in the 200 metres breast-stroke between Meir Moses, Northern Command, and Nest, Training Command, with the former just touching home first. Both were timed in at 3:02.8.

The Navy's men team was also successful in the water-polo competition, slamming Northern Command, 6-0, in the final. Preliminary games results were: The Navy beat Training Command, 4-3; Northern Command beat Southern Command, 7-0; and the Navy beat the Air Force, 5-1.

There were a number of events for servicewomen, not included in the championships tally. These brought two wins to Training Command girls. Noga [illegible] won the 50 metres crawl in 38.5 seconds, and [illegible] Cohen the 50 metres breast-stroke in 46.0 seconds.

A Navy swim was also held across Lake Kinneret last Wednesday and the "A" team got home first in 3 hours and 10 seconds. (A.K.)

Calling All Rugger Fans to Tel Aviv

Rugby players and enthusiasts are invited to attend a meeting, which will be held at the South African Zionist Federation club-room at 100 Hayarkon Street, Tel Aviv, on October 15 at 5.30 p.m. The purpose is to bring together rugby players with a view to forming a club or clubs and to arrange for practice and games here.

The interest in this game has increased since an exhibition game was played last June, and many former South Africans, now living here, have spearheaded a movement to start rugby in Israel. In the June game a team of resident Unionists faced an Army side, newcomers to the game, who surprised everybody with the stern battle they gave the "experts." Despite shortage of grounds and equipment, enquiries since then indicate that sufficient enthusiasm has been aroused to provide a good foothold for the establishment of rugby as one of Israel's sports.

Suits Israel

Rugby football is mainly played in the British Commonwealth and a number of European countries, notably France, and the Americas and Japan also have their adherents. The game, said to have provided the source of present day American football, is a fast skilful game with plenty of action and thrills, which should suit Israelis.

Internationally controlled through a parent body the game is purely amateur, played with 15-a-side teams. Its main lesson is one of team combination as in American football. But it differs from soccer, and while the efforts of an individual are important, without good backing from the rest of the side, nothing can be achieved.

MACCABI T.A. WIN 7:1

KFAR SABA, Wednesday. — Maccabi Tel Aviv, the Israel football champions, today beat Kfar Saba Hapoel 7;1, on the Hapoel grounds here. The match was watched by about 2,000 spectators from the entire vicinity, who came to see their local side put up a plucky fight against overwhelming odds.

The local team is at present head of the Israel "B" Football League and expects to pass into League "A".

Water-Polo, Basketball

A meeting between the top two Maccabi water polo teams last Saturday brought an exciting 2-1 win for the home side, Haifa Maccabi, over B.M.A., in a Maccabi Water Polo League fixture. In Maccabi Basketball League games, Haifa beat B.M.A. "A," 60-37, and Jerusalem Maccabi went down at home to Tel Aviv Hakohav, 39-49.

AT THE CINEMA

"FIVE Fingers," (Amphitheatre, Haifa) based on Moyzisch's "Operation Cicero," is a well-directed and well-filmed spy story starring James Mason as the suave Albanian valet and would-be Nazi spy and Danielle Darrieux as his double-crossing lady friend. The film abounds in clever twists and is played for the full measure of irony by Joe Mankiewicz, the director. Shots of Turkish scenes, taken on the spot, add class to the movie's other qualities.

Lace, Ruffles, Swords

DUMAS' novel on Cagliostro, the 18th century charlatan, furnishes the plot for "Black Magic" (Armon, Haifa). Orson Welles plays the young gypsy turned hypnotist to avenge his parents' hanging, with flamboyant gusto, lending the film an air of reality when he is on the screen. Otherwise the movie sinks to the level of romantic artificiality that should appeal to those who prefer their history garnished with lots of lace, ruffles and swords.

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More Savagery

MORE savagery is shown in "The Sound of Fury" (Tamar), a film which with its completely incredible story and super-imposed sermons on mercy and humanity, never approaches Fritz Lang's famous film of masses and mobs, "Fury."

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Nahariya	52	19	29	25
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Lydda Airport	45	17	30	30
Jerusalem	58	16	23	24
Beersheba	45	15	27	31
Elath	40	22	—	35

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy with chance of light rain in the North in the morning hours becoming partly cloudy later.

*A: Humidity at 1 p.m. B: Minimum temp. C: Maximum, yesterday. D: Maximum temp. expected today.

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THIRTY-FOUR nurses received graduation certificates at the Rambam Hospital in Haifa yesterday, the second group to complete the three-year course. In addition, seven graduate nurses were awarded certificates in midwifery.

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THE APPEAL by the State Attorney against the acquittal by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court of a group of persons charged with taking part in an illegal demonstration in favour of the Haifa seamen's strike, will be heard in the Tel Aviv District Court on October 27. Among the accused was Mr. Avraham Shlonsky, the poet. The group was found guilty and fined for creating a disturbance.

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GHAZI SHASTAL of Tel Aviv, was yesterday fined IL.500 or two months in prison, for receiving money in Israel upon the instructions of his father, resident abroad, by the Tel Aviv Anti-Profiteering Court. He admitted that in October 1950 he had received from an unknown person IL.38,000 and another IL.1,300 during the same month from Miss Rahel Hasson. . . . FOR FAILING to declare foreign currency in his possession and for selling it illegally, the same court fined Saleh Mashaal, of the Bat Yam ma'abara, IL.250, or a month in prison, and bound him over in IL.500 for a year.

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SIX YOUTHS, between the ages of 16 and 17, were arrested by Jerusalem police on Tuesday on suspicion that they were responsible for the number of cases of pickpocketing that were reported by visitors and pilgrims to Mount Zion on Monday. The thefts amount to about IL.300.

IL.2m. MORE CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — An increase of IL.2m. of currency in circulation was recorded at the end of business last night by the Issue Department of the Bank Leumi.

The rise, all in Treasury Bills (from IL.34,240,000 to IL.36,240,000) was believed due mainly to the holiday season when many employers paid bonuses, in addition to salaries. The other categories remained the same as last week — foreign currency balance at IL.11,738,500 and Land Bonds at IL.77,136,000. The total was IL.113,387,738,500.

Price Rises Seen On Imported Foods

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The price of sugar, coffee, tea, oils and other foodstuffs will probably go up following discussions between the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday. Although no formal decisions have been taken it was reported that these commodities would not be transferred to the higher exchange rate but that prices would be [illegible] by the Price Controller.

Since very large quantities of these foods are consumed (bread is reportedly included in the list) small increases will afford the Treasury considerable additional income without any serious effect on the Cost-of-Living index, it is believed.

Discussion was continued between the two Ministries on the one-year food import programme, but no agreement has as yet been reached. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is still demanding a minimum $65m. allocation while the Treasury refuses to free more than $60m., which, it claims, would suffice to keep meat on the diet and allow for food stocks since only $47m. is needed to maintain the supply.

Ministry Hears Protest At Electric Service Cut

A delegation of residents of Givat Shaul Bet near Jerusalem, was received by the Ministry of Health after an orderly demonstration outside the Ministry's offices yesterday. The residents complained that the Jerusalem Electric Company had cut off service to their homes following an eviction notice from the Jewish Agency.

Most of the residents of the quarter have already moved to temporary housing in Talpiot, to make room for the extension of the Ministry of Health's work village for mentally defective persons.

A Ministry spokesman told the delegation that he would not oppose the supply of electricity to the remaining residents provided it would not affect service to the work village.

TouristStudent Must Join Army

POST Legal Correspondent

The High Court ruled recently that Mr. M. Mackabian, a student, was eligible for Army service although he came to Israel as a tourist in 1950.

The Court came to this conclusion because it felt that the petitioner had established his permanent residence here. This is evidenced by the fact that he had no other residence, had not asked to have his tourist visa extended, had himself admitted to Ministry of Defence officials that he lives here permanently and had registered with the Army while a tourist.

It was stated in Court that Mackabian, after registering at a recruitment office, had tried to stay out of the Army on the plea that he is a tourist. Since Mackabian did not prove this, the Army gave him until June to leave the country. The applicant, however, received his exit visa only in July and was inducted before that. He had wanted to study engineering overseas because he found it difficult to be accepted to the Technion.

Residence Decisive

The Court found itself faced with the problem of deciding either according to Mackabian's tourist status, in which case he would not have to serve, or according to the facts governing his residence. On the basis of a number of English and Scottish precedents, the Court said that the residence was decisive.

Justice Agranat, Assaf and Zeltner sat on the Bench. Messrs. A. Levy and A. Engel represented the petitioner. Mrs. M. Ben Porat appeared for the State.

Jailed for Entering Closed Area

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday. — In the summary military court here today, Zvi Gottesman, 22, of Beersheba, was sentenced to three months in prison for illegal entry into a closed area. Together with Yehezkel Yuri, a local butcher, he had gone to buy fruit from Negev Beduin two weeks ago and had been attacked by them. Yuri, who is now recovering in hospital from the injuries he received, will be tried later by the military court. Gottesman's sentence was lightened because of the state of his health.

The same court sentenced a marauder from Akaba to two years in prison for carrying arms and firing on security forces. He received one year for the first offence and two for the second, both sentences to run concurrently.

Another marauder, caught in Israel, while in possession of arms was sentenced to only three months in prison, because he was over 60. Six local Beduin were fined IL.10 to IL.30 each for entering and leaving restricted areas without permits.

MAN JAILED FOR SELLING ARMS

ACRE, Wednesday. — Found guilty of having sold a Sten-gun and three magazines to a person believed to be an Arab, Shabetai Ma'alouf, 32, of the Manzi ma'bara near the "Triangle," was sentenced to 20 months' imprisonment by the Military Court here today. The buyer turned out to be a police agent, but police refused to produce the witness in court.

The accused is also serving a three-month sentence for abetting the sale of a revolver to an Arab. The maximum sentence that the judge could have imposed was two years' imprisonment and a IL.200 fine. The death penalty can be imposed if the defendant is tried by three judges.

News from the City of Uz

A military court of the Tel Aviv authorities at the end of July tried a number of staff officers for releasing top military secrets to a foreign power, the Damascus Hebrew commentator reported yesterday in a special bulletin, termed "one of the most important reports ever transmitted."

The trial took place behind closed doors as the authorities of occupied Palestine wanted to keep the scandal from the public.

The commentator then cited extracts from a recent feature in "Ha'aretz" describing the life of a family in Tel Aviv, who returned to the U.S. after two years, as typical of conditions under the Ben Gurion regime here.

JORDAN HOLDS GIRL

According to "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, yesterday, Shulamit Sofar, was arrested by Jordan Legion troopers on Tuesday afternoon after she had allegedly crossed the lines from the Musrara quarter into Jordan. She will be tried as an infiltrator, the paper adds.

AMMAN JUDGE RESIGNS

Justice Majid Abdul Hadi C.B.E., has resigned from the Jordan Court of Appeal, on which he served as President. During the Mandate, Justice Abdul Hadi was a Judge of the Supreme Council, and the highest Arab official in the courts. The Jordan Regency Council has approved his resignation, "Falastin" reports.

OPPOSITION WEEKLY SUSPENDED IN JORDAN

The Amman opposition weekly, "El Hawadith," has been suspended for six weeks by the Jordan censor for the publication of lies, threatening the internal and external security of the Jordan government, and disrupting its relations with the Arab world, the Old City daily, "Falastin," reports.

Colonial Powers Get Setback at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (Reuter). — The General Assembly's committee on information from non-self-governing territories has adopted a U.S. resolution to continue its life for another three years. The committee was to have ended its work yesterday at the close of its third session.

Belgium, France and Britain opposed continuation. They claimed technical problems before he committee could be more effectively dealt with by experts and that discussions so far had not brought results justifying the committee's renewal.

The committee is composed of representatives of eight administering and eight non-administering states. It was established to examine information passed on by administering members about conditions in the territories.

The committee adopted a report to the General Assembly stating that despite the efforts of administering members living conditions in non-self-governing territories urgently called for improvement.

The Soviet delegate voted against adoption of the reports, claiming it did not present an accurate picture of the conditions. Belgium and France abstained.

U.S. May Compromise Over U.N. Membership

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The State Department is studying a proposal to amend the U.N. Charter to end a deadlock with the USSR over admission of new members.

Under the proposal, membership would be open to all independent states not at war with the United Nations. The Soviets have so far vetoed all individual applications sponsored by the West and proposed bloc entry of nominees of both East and West.

Lewis Takes Stand: Against Republicans

CINCINNATI, Wednesday (Reuter). — Mr. John L. Lewis, union leader of 450,000 American mineworkers, yesterday took a stand against the Republicans in the presidential campaign.

Without mentioning General Eisenhower, the Republican candidate by name, Mr. Lewis declared at the opening of the United Mineworkers Union convention here he did not see how anyone could vote for a man whom Senator Taft "may lead around by the collar."

Yoshida Seen Assured Of Retaining Premiership

TOKYO, Wednesday (Reuter) — Emperor Hirohito today issued a rescript calling the new Japanese Diet to meet on October 24 to elect the country's new Prime Minister.

Behind the scenes, political bargaining was going on in the Liberal Party, which emerged from the election with its absolute majority safe, though slightly reduced.

Supporters of present Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida publicly claimed his continued leadership was assured. But backers of his old guard Liberal challenger, Ichiro Hatoyama, declared he would be chosen premier. Earlier fears that the Yoshida-Hatoyama contest would split the Liberal Party appeared to be diminishing.

Leading supporters of both factions in the last few hours have indicated the question of the premiership must be settled within the Party.

Man Sent For Trial On Forged Papers Charge

For having allegedly given a forged document to the Turkish Consul, stating that he had not served in the Israel Army, M. Afia, a barber, 23, was committed for trial in the District Court by the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday.

The accused, who claimed that he had not served in the Army and did not know that the document was forged, declared that he needed it to return to Turkey. Afia stated that he had approached an office in Jaffa, which prepares documents for official purposes, and paid them IL.20 for the certificate.

A deputy of the Turkish Consul, who testified in Court, stated that numerous declarations of this sort had been submitted to him. The Police, who have closed down the office in Jaffa, identified the forgeries as originating from the same source.

Man Found Dead Near Binyanei Ha'ooma

The crushed body of a man was found near the Binyanei Ha'ooma site in Jerusalem yesterday morning. The body was identified as that of Avraham Greenberg, 35, of the German Colony in Jerusalem, who had worked as a sub-contractor on the national buildings and several days ago had complained to friends about ill health.

The body was taken to Avihayil Government Hospital. (Itim)

Britain Not Joining Geneva Atom Centre

By George Lichtheim, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Thursday. — It is understood that Britain will not join West European governments in financing the projected Geneva atomic research laboratory estimated to cost £10m. The Cabinet's decision contravenes the advice tendered by the Strong Committee including the country's foremost physicists, such as Sir James Chadwick, Sir George Thompson and Sir John Cockroft, Director of British atomic research.

The Government took the view that Britain is now so far advanced in atomic research that reciprocity is impossible. European scientists were offered research facilities at Bristol and Liverpool where a big new cyclotron is being built, but not at Harwell where practical work on atomic bomb construction is centred. These offers have been declined.

It is understood that the Geneva centre will specialize in basic research eschewing practical application in the military and industrial fields. The giant "atom-smasher" to be constructed will aid scientists to investigate the structure of atomic nucleus, of which little is known.

Three U.S. Steel Firms Pay $1m. to Gov't

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Three steel companies have agreed to pay the Government more than $1m. for selling steel at higher than ceiling prices, the Office of Price Stabilization announced today. The settlement is the largest in the Agency's history.

The companies, related to each other through stock ownership, are the Barium Steel Company of New York City, the Phoenix Iron and Steel Company of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, and the Central Iron and Steel Company of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

SHOPKEEPERS THREATENED

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Notices threatening death to the owners of the OBG Clothiers and the Lefkovitz Children's Furniture shop, on Hadar Hacarmel, if their stores were not closed by six o'clock this evening, were posted by unidentified persons this morning.

The threat, believed to be a school-boy hoax, in keeping with the current fashion, was superfluous, however, as shops were closed at 2 p.m. today because of the Succot holiday.

Cables in Brief

CLASH. — Republican and Democrat partisans clashed in the main square of Manisa, near Izmir, Turkey, on Monday, while Ismet Inonu, a former President, and leader of the Republican Party, was making a political speech.

URANIUM. — South Africa's first uranium production plant was opened yesterday by the Prime Minister, Dr. Daniel Malan.

EN ROUTE. — The Pakistan Foreign Minister, Mr. Zafrulla Khan, arrived in Rome by air yesterday on his way to New York to attend U.N. meetings.

APPOINTED. — Begum Liaquat Ali Khan, wife of the assassinated Prime Minister, was named as Pakistan delegate to the U.N. General Assembly in Karachi on Tuesday.

RECALLED. — Bulgaria has withdrawn her Ambassador to Czechoslovakia, Dr. Nenco Nikolayev, the Czech newspaper "Rude Pravo" reported yesterday.

VISIT. — The British aircraft carrier Implacable, of the Home Fleet Training Squadron, is to pay a five-day visit to Lisbon, arriving on October 16, the Admiralty announced yesterday.

K.L.M. — Super-Constellations will be used on the K.L.M. Africa routes next year, Mr. J.D. [illegible], K.L.M. commercial manager, said in Capetown on Tuesday.

FOG. — Heavy fog at London's airports brought all services to a standstill early yesterday. Visibility was down to 100 metres and all incoming aircraft were diverted. Many train services were also held up by fog.

Trial of Orphanage Matron Today

NAZARETH, Wednesday. — Miss Djiai Michail, matron of the Wasfiyeh Orphans home here, faces trial in the District Court in Nazareth tomorrow. Twenty-seven charges of inflicting serious bodily harm on her wards, illegal burial, and smuggling of currency, have been drawn up against her.

The senior probation officer of the Arab Community here, Mr. Sami Jaraisi, is among the 46 witnesses scheduled to appear at the trial. Others include former pupils of the orphanage, which is under the patronage of Archbishop George Hakim, head of the Greek Catholic Community in Israel, and police.

The accused appeared in the Magistrate's Court on August 7. On the advice of her attorney, Mr. Nimer Hawari, she asked to be tried in a District Court.

A FIREMAN was injured in a general practice to test new equipment in Tel Aviv yesterday, when he fell from a four-storey building. It took 11 minutes for the Magen David Adom ambulance to arrive in response to a radio call.

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J'lem Council Censures Vice-Mayor

Mr. Meyer Rubin (Herut) the Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem, received a severe vote of censure at yesterday's meeting of the Jerusalem Municipality Council, for abetting the construction of a hotel without the necessary permit. The Council also decided to prosecute the Hotel Company for the infringement.

Four hours of stormy recrimination and counter-accusation, from which no party represented on the Council escaped without stain, revealed that the Deputy Mayor was responsible for overriding the Council's recent unanimous decision to prosecute contractors who defy the building regulations.

Mr. Rubin was employed as the architect for the President Hotel at present being built in Talbieh, Jerusalem; on request of the company erecting the hotel, both the Council and the Town-planning Committee decided to permit the addition of a fifth storey to the four floors allowed normally in that district. However, the Council's agreement — given last March — had to be endorsed by the Municipal Technical Committee before permission to build was legally valid. Although the Technical Committee has not yet endorsed the permit, those responsible for the President Hotel went ahead with construction, and added a fifth storey.

Unemployment Cited

Mr. Rubin defended this infringement by pointing to the unemployment in Jerusalem and the absurdity of stopping work on this important project for the sake of a formality; the President Hotel company had intended originally to build in Nathanya, but was persuaded by the Municipality to site their enterprise in Jerusalem. As for precedents to this action, Mr. Rubin declared that Shikun Pagi of Agudat Yisrael, and the huge Histadrut housing estate at Kiryat Moshe had also been built without permits.

Other Councillors argued that the Municipality, despite its loudly-expressed intention, had not dared to pull down parts of buildings erected in defiance of the law, and that the fifth storey of the President Hotel would similarly escape destruction.

At the meeting's close, it was announced that the Municipal Council had agreed to help build a large hotel near Malha, in south Jerusalem, which would cater for popular taste and purses. An American investor will provide most of the foreign currency needed, and the hotel will be [illegible]. This project has Government support financially, and the Jerusalem Municipality assumes responsibility for a road to be laid connecting the hotel with Malha.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM — Meat 100 grams. General 27, temporary, 41. Carp 150 grams. Mem 5, temporary, 41. [illegible]

TEL AVIV — Carp 150 grams. [illegible]

HAIFA and SAMARIA — Eggs 3. [illegible]

SOUTHERN DISTRICT — Eggs 3. [illegible]

T.A. Deputy Mayor Retires from His Post

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Dr. Moshe Cohen, Deputy Mayor and leader of the Herut faction in the Tel Aviv Municipality, will retire from both positions and return to private practice as a physician, probably in Jerusalem, it was officially learned today.

Dr. David Yotan, secretary to the executive committee of the Histadrut Leumi (National Workers' Association) is expected to succeed Dr. Cohen on the Council.

Dr. Cohen tendered his resignation to Mayor Israel Rokach last week, stating that his health did not permit him to continue. He had represented the less extreme Herut line in the Municipal Council and had been under constant pressure to become more active. Herut circles believe that Dr. Cohen has both the willingness and a good chance of being placed high on the party list for the next Knesset elections.

'Juggler' Climax Shot Yesterday

Jerusalem POST Reporter

SHAVEI ZION, Wednesday. — The climax of "The Juggler," first Hollywood movie about Israel actually filmed in this country, was shot yesterday and today at Hanita, near the Lebanese border. Shooting will be completed by the middle of this month. The interior shots were completed in Hollywood and by October 20 the last footage of the outdoor sequences, photographed mostly in Galilee, is expected to be in the California laboratories of Columbia Pictures.

Mr. Edward Dmytryk, who is directing the film for the producer, Mr. Stanley Kramer, said that about $250,000 will have been spent in Israel.

The director said in an interview at Dolphin House here that it would have been somewhat cheaper and more expeditious to produce the outdoor scenes on location in California with more of their regular crews and with experienced extras who could resist the temptation to look at the cameras, but the additional trouble and expense was a good investment because the quality would be incomparably better.

Sequences have been shot in Haifa, Sha'ar Ha'aliya, and in Hanita, and others are to be filmed in Nazareth, Jerusalem, a Druse village, the escarpment above Lake Huleh, the ruins of an Arab village and along roadsides in Galilee. "Nowhere," Dr. Dmytryk said, "did we get better cooperation from the people than here." The actors and crew said that on location in California they did not get the comforts they enjoyed in Dolphin House, the resort hotel on the sea-side which has been taken over completely by the producers.

Star's Gruelling Time

The star, Mr. Kirk Douglas, had a particularly gruelling time today. He had to carry youthful Joey Walsh up a steep, rocky, thorn-covered hill. The scene was repeated time and again before director Dmytryk was satisfied.

The 30 actors and crew brought from Hollywood were augmented by "extras" from the Kibbutz and help hired locally. A number of Tel Aviv photographers took all sorts of odd jobs, presumably to learn something about the technique of film production. Some of them, it appears, thought they had learned enough in the first week to tell Mr. Dmytryk how to shoot the picture. They are no longer working for Columbia Pictures.

Mrs. Nehru Compares Israel and India

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Speaking at a luncheon given in her honour by the Israel WIZO Federation yesterday, Mrs. Nehru, wife of Professor S. Nehru, said that India's greatest difficulties followed her independence, and that the country had passed through the same stage Israel was now facing. This situation and especially the great part taken by women was a point of contact between the two countries. This gave her a deep feeling of being at home, and of being taken to the hearts of the people. She said she was especially impressed with the spirit with which every one worked here, and by the speed with which everything was being done.

This was exemplified by the way in which she had been shown around, she said. "In 24 hours you showed us through the whole country. That is how you seem to do everything."

Immigrant Children Win J.N.F. Jerusalem Flag

POST Reporter

FOR the first time in its eighteen-year history, the "Jerusalem Flag," presented annually by the Jewish National Fund to the school outstanding in J.N.F. work, passed into the keeping of children from an immigrant settlement — Castinia, in the Jerusalem Corridor.

Bands of blue and white-clad children marched into the courtyard of the J.N.F. Head Office in Jerusalem yesterday, their school banners flying, to enact a symbolic pageant: the "Changing of the Flag."

Pupils of Kfar Malal, who had won the flag last year, chanted an accolade to the girls and boys of Castinia, with martial strains from the Police Band accompanying. After thanking Kfar Malal in chorus, the Castinia group presented fruit and flowers — "We grow them ourselves" — to members of the J.N.F. Teachers Council. Dancing to the pipe and tambour, a small "goldilocks" of Castinia drew admiration from the seven delegations of schoolchildren from all over Israel whose work for the J.N.F. had received special mention.

Dr. B. Ben Yehuda, Director of the Herzlia Secondary school and until recently head of the J.N.F. Education Department, expressed great pleasure in being able to award the Jerusalem Flag to immigrant children.

Shoham Rejects Blame For Ship Repair Decline

HAIFA, Wednesday. — A Shoham company spokesman today denied that the company was to blame for the decline in the volume of ship repairs carried out in the country. On Sunday the Hayama shipyards workers' committee had charged that the company had diverted repairs to foreign ports, causing unemployment and bringing the ship repair industry here to a standstill.

The spokesman said that as a partner in the Hayama firm Shoham was interested in having its ships repaired here by Hayama whenever possible. Some repairs were impossible without a dock, however, and the company had urged the Government to build one in Haifa.

When a ship was in dock abroad, the opportunity was taken to have other repairs done to save time, though these repairs could be made in Israel. Sometimes immediate repairs also had to be done abroad in order to receive a certificate of seaworthiness. The company had also carried more cargoes between foreign ports during the last year, and more repairs had to be done abroad, as the ships called here only infrequently. As the crews became more experienced less repairs were necessary. During 1952, 34 per cent of "general maintenance repairs" had been done in Israel, three per cent more than in 1951.

VISITORS. — Queen Elizabeth will receive the Prime Minister, Adnan Menderes and Foreign Minister, Fuad Koprulu of Turkey at Buckingham Palace next Wednesday, it was officially announced in London yesterday.

Youth Aliya Has Absorbed 5,000 from Morocco

More than 5,000 young people from Morocco have been absorbed under the Youth Aliya programme during the last two and a half years, Mr. Moshe Kol, head of the Jewish Agency's Youth Aliya Department, announced after a meeting with Rabbi Abu Hatzira, Head of the Jewish Court in Marakeech, in the Agency offices in Jerusalem yesterday.

Rabbi Hatzira, on behalf of the Moroccan Rabbinical Council, asked that care should be taken that children of parents who desire their orthodox upbringing should be placed in suitable surroundings. Mr. Kol pointed out that the Youth Aliya Executive has decided to grant, through its representatives in Morocco, full information to parents on the following three types of educational institutions: Orthodox, traditional (i.e. keeping of Sabbath, festivals and kashrut) and non-religious.

Rabbi Hatzira will tour various Youth Aliya institutions throughout the country.

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ANOTHER CHANCE IN PERSIA

DR. Mossadegh has answered the British and American notes in such a way as to suggest that he would be quite happy to dismount from his tiger if only he could. His earlier hopes of relying on Anglo-American differences seem to have been disappointed; the much reviled A.I.O.C. is invited to resume negotiations in Teheran, from which it had been expelled never to return, and the demand for £49m. has been scaled down.

The British Government appears hopeful that this is the beginning of a softening up, though whether Mossadegh can carry the Persians with him for a second time remains to be seen. Since Mossadegh's answer was despatched, news has come from Washington that U.S. tankers are on the way to Persia, as well as equipment ordered by Mr. 'Lone-wolf' Jones.

There has been no reaction from Britain as yet which would make it clear whether this new development is within the Anglo-American accord or a breach of it—there are powerful diplomatic and economic groups in America still engaged in twisting the lion's tail in the Middle East. If he can count on Anglo-American differences, Dr. Mossadegh's new found drift towards reasonableness towards Britain might prove only temporary.

Illusions are not the monopoly of any one country, however, a grandson of the late William Knox d'Arcy, who played a leading part in founding the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, has written to "The Times," suggesting that the main cause for the present Persian oil crisis is British Government ownership and control of the AIOC. "Any attempt to reach a settlement is doomed to failure while the British Government remain the majority shareholder in the Company," he writes. H. M. Government's control and power of veto on the AIOC's board, he claims, impresses Persians with the fact that their resources are controlled and exploited by a foreign power.

"I believe that the Persians would deal with a private group who could demonstrate their sincere belief in the principles of partnership with the Persian nation. With the Government's might again become, after slight adjustment, the vehicle for handling the oil," is his conclusion.

This letter gives valuable insight into the mentality which has caused Britain to lose so many positions in the Middle East. This attitude is not peculiarly British — the unwillingness to face facts is universal —but it happens at present that Britain can afford to indulge illusions less than most.

The whole recent trend in world developments has been for Government association with large international companies — whose importance to the country's economic and strategic needs, no less than the political involvements which such size and power inevitably brings—to become increasingly close. No groups the size of the AOIC could exist without Government backing, yet no Government can give backing on such a scale without control, anymore than it could be disinterested in the fate of its oil resources.

The main tragedy, however, has been ignored by Mr. d'Arcy's letter: the fact, as U.S. Ambassador Grady has since disclosed, that he and the State Department had warned the British Government, through diplomatic channels, of the dangers that were facing the AOIC in Persia owing to the Company's narrow-minded attitude towards Persian claims and susceptibilities. American diplomats advised the British Government to act through its representatives on the board, to over-rule the Company-men who were as politically crass as they were technically progressive, and to seek a new basis for agreement with the Persians. The British Government, however, refused to intervene until it was too late.

As Mr. d'Arcy points out, it was Mr. Churchill who, as First Lord of the Admiralty, secured British Government participation and control in the Company before World War I. It seems unlikely that now, after the past year's experiences, he will come to any other verdict than the need for stricter and more effective Government control of such enterprises. Mr. Churchill is so successful at evoking voices from the past, precisely because he is prepared in most cases to ignore them.

U.S. ELECTION REPORT

FROM JESSE ZEL LURIE

G.O.P. Rages at 'Red Menace'

NEW YORK. — TRYING to compete with the World Series (the omnipotent Yankees were quoted at almost two to one odds but the underdog Dodgers stayed the distance and lost only in the seventh game) for public attention would be an impossible task for ordinary politicians, but the presidential candidates met the challenge.

Clutching at every Communist straw in the wind, the Republicans are whipping the country into a state seldom witnessed in modern politics.

Instead of debating the issues in a sane fashion, the Republican candidates are frothing in outrageous indignation over Communist infiltration into Government, the "mess" in Korea, Democratic blunders in underestimating the Communist threat in the Pacific countries and "creeping Socialism."

The campaign has become a confessional. First it was Richard Nixon, the G.O.P. vice-presidential nominee, who stood wet-eyed and shaky-voiced before a nation-wide radio audience and explained away $18,000 he got from a group of California citizens who have more than a casual interest in such things as rent control, public housing, oil, etc. The Senator challenged Adlai Stevenson to make public his finances, and Stevenson turned over 10 years of income tax returns to newspaper reporters. Sparkman, the Democratic vice-presidential nominee, told of his personal finances and will make known his income tax for 10 years. Nixon says his income tax is nobody's business, but Eisenhower says he will lay bare his financial soul in the future. Everybody is pretty fed up with everyone else's household finances, and the dramatic impact of Nixon's confessional is beginning to wear off. He isn't quite the hero he was a week ago, and like MacArthur, who also made a tremendous emotional impact in his first T.V. appearance, he may well fade away in a very short time.

Wild Words

It is the degeneration of the campaign into a spate of wild words, half-truths, charges and counter charges, denials and name calling that is worrying the bulk of the people and most of all Adlai Stevenson.

It is evident that Stevenson hoped to debate the issues clearly and on a high level. He has a deep regard for the intelligence of the average voter, and has tried to make himself clear on every major issue. He has not equivocated on a single issue, and has even scolded Southerners in their own territory on civil rights.

Maybe Stevenson will be able to stick to his high purposes. President Truman is now on a 16-state "whistle-stop" tour, and Truman is, as the saying goes about the President, in his best "Give 'em hell, Harry" form. Very shortly Senator Estes Kefauver will begin an extensive tour for Stevenson, and nobody can point a dirty finger at Kefauver and his wife, Nancy, whose integrity is unquestioned. The Senator and his Nancy have probably garnered more genuine admiration than any political couple in the current limelight. Another forthright and honest man who speaks with great candour and simplicity will also stump for Stevenson. He is Senator Paul Douglas, the former University of Chicago professor, who is also from Illinois. Mutual Security Agency chief Averell Harriman, long-time personal friend of Stevenson's, is beginning his stumping tour. So the Democratic bandwagon is already starting to steam through the nation, and the Republicans may be worried about the Stevenson, Truman, Kefauver combination.

Smith Furor

The latest "Communist straw" clutched at by the Republicans was a statement made by General Walter Bedell Smith. General Smith, who heads the Central Intelligence Agency, testified at a hearing which grew out of a $20,000,000 libel suit brought by Senator Joseph McCarthy against Senator William Benton. In his statement Smith blandly said: as head of the country's top security agency he would be stupid not to assume that Communists had penetrated that agency. The enemy, he conceded, must be as smart as we are, hinting broadly that we had done some pretty deep penetrating ourselves. Smith said he didn't actually know of any Communists in CIA, but that he kept checking on all levels from charwomen on up.

On the face of it, the testimony is one of a sensible man who knows his job, but Republican National Campaign Manager Arthur Summerfield immediately issued a wild statement in the "we told you so" vein, distorting Smith's remarks to mean that the CIA is full of Reds and that this is another incident of Red infiltration into the Federal government, this time "at the highest level." General Eisenhower, to his credit, after a call from General Smith, shut Summerfield up.

On his first stop, President Truman blasted away at General Eisenhower. He said that everyone has made mistakes in judgment, and that while Eisenhower was in Europe in 1945 he too had underestimated the 'Russian threat and had assured Washington (in his reports) that Russia and the U.S. could get along together. Mr. Truman said that making a mistake wasn't so bad, but why should the General refuse to own up to his errors in judgment, while blaming the Democrats for the same errors. And so in a few short years, General Eisenhower, who many times expressed confidence in Harry S. Truman as his commander-in chief, and Harry S. Truman who treated Eisenhower as a trusted lieutenant have turned on each other and are now engaged in a cross country verbal battle.

Governor Stevenson made his first fireside chat to the nation this week, forsaking his usual humour to deal seriously with a number of issues including corruption, prices, peace, the Korean War. He said that he did not want to fool the people or betray them by making easy promises. The road ahead, he promised, would be long and hard. He emphasized the fact that by assuming world leadership the people of the U.S. must also be prepared to assume heavy burdens that would not be lessened or lightened for a long time to come. He reiterated the hope that the campaign would be waged on a high level, that it would not disintegrate into a battle of words and personalities.

Twin Issue

But there is little hope that this will occur. The Republicans have found a twin issue: Communism and corruption. These are the only two themes upon which Eisenhower can speak with sincerity. Reporters who have been following his train have said that when he speaks on such subjects as farm parity, prices and foreign policy his talks go flat with the crowds. He just doesn't seem to be able to "warm up" to these subjects. But when the General talks about corruption and asks the people to trust him to see that things are cleaned up, the ingenuous character of the man, his sincerity and simplicity seem to finally emerge and capture the heart of his audience. Eisenhower wants people to like him. It pains him when they don't, so he talks about the things he feels most convinced about. Evidently he knows too little about domestic policy and helped too intimately to shape foreign policy to make issues of these things. But almost anyone can get up and talk about corrupt politicians with feeling.

At least two men are debating the issues of "peace in our time." I. F. Stone, frequent visitor to Israel and columnist for the "Compass," and Vito Marcantonio, partisan for the Progressive Party, are holding a running debate in the "Compass." Stone, who supported Henry Wallace in 1948, has switched to Stevenson from the Progressive Party candidate, Vincent Hallinan. Marcantonio is for Hallinan. Stevenson has won another newspaper, the St. Louis "Post-Dispatch," which supported Dewey in 1948. The "Post-Dispatch is an Independent-Democratic paper, founded by the Pulitzer family, and is one of the best papers in the country.

MAN'S ENEMIES

The two great enemies of mankind throughout history are wars and soil erosion. In my opinion, soil erosion is the worst. It has attacked nations in ancient times. It is more rapid and dangerous in modern times. Today, National Defence is the watchword. The State assumes responsibility for the protection of its people. If an enemy invades and takes away land, it may be regained at some later time. But the internal enemy, soil erosion, which robs fertile soil from unprotected cultivated fields, hills and grazing lands during each rain storm, and carries it out to the sea, leaving sterile stony ground or wasting wadies, can never be regained. It is an irreplaceable loss to the people and the nation. Diminishing fertile lands eventually destroy a people.

—W. C. LOWDERMILK

(Prof. Lowdermilk's tenth and final article in the present series "How to Hold Your Ground" will appear in The POST on Friday.)

Readers' Letters

CHINA'S INTELLECTUALS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — The article in your issue of September 25, "Chinese Refugees in Hong Kong," gives the impression that the writer was trying desperately to make political capital out of such poor material in the way of facts that I have no inclination to question these facts.

His reference to refugees, including 300 generals and 40 per cent ex-Nationalist soldiers and police, combined with the very easy-going definition of "intellectuals", together with other points, sufficiently describes the group of 22,000 referred to.

I have a good knowledge of the great mass of genuine Chinese intellectuals, including those who have done post-graduate work in America and other foreign countries. I was in educational work in China for over a quarter of a century.

It seems quite clear that they are more satisfied and less frustrated in working for China under this Government than under any I have known since I first went there. They are returning in large numbers from America and elsewhere and find valuable work to do and, apparently, adequate academic freedom.

Yours etc.,
B. BURGOYNE CHAPMAN

Behind the Middle East News — By Achimogel

JORDAN'S POLITICAL DECLINE

TEWFIK Abul Huda has shaken up the decemvirate which forms his Cabinet. The essence of this change was to substitute one set of Palestinians for another. Only one of the four Palestinians in the outgoing Government, Khalousy Kheiry from Ramallah, Minister of Commerce, retained his portfolio.

Most compromised among the victims of Abul Huda's "purge" is Ruhi Abdul Hadi, Acting Minister of Defence and Minister of Education. That is to say, the Opposition saw nothing against the way he carried out the first of his divergent capacities. He was a diehard anti-Israeli and has supported the clamour against General Riley, on the grounds of partisan handling of armistice matters. On the education score the opposition were not so easily satisfied. A severe cut in secondary school subsidies had thrown hundreds of youths "onto the streets," and of the remainder almost half failed their final examinations. This, liberal opposition members thought, was a sad reflection on Abdul Hadi. No particular blame was fastened on the other outgoing cabinet members.

Palestinians In

The new Minister of Reconstruction and also (as of yesterday) Minister of Defence, is Anwar Nusseibeh, who had been defeated in Jerusalem in the last elections. Once Secretary of the Gaza Government, he is an ardent Palestinian nationalist. Ali Hasanah, President of the Jerusalem Court of Appeal, is the new Minister of Justice; he has never been a member of Parliament.

As Minister of Finance there is Musa Nasr, who had been prominent in drawing up the Nablus petition of last July, which contained the staple complaint of the Palestinian MP's: discrimination against the "West Bank." Nasr is an old pal of Khaloussy Kheiry.

The new crisis in Jordan was stimulated by events in the Lebanon. If an opposition of seven in a Parliament of 77 could depose a President, how was it that the representatives of the majority of the Jordan population could make no inroads against a discredited semi-dictatorial regime, which was patently unable to cope with the addition to Eastern Palestine, and which had solved none of the country's economic problems?

But the root of the present crisis goes deeper. Abul Huda had debunked all of Abdullah's expansionist ideas with a clean sweep. Though these ideas had not arisen so much from political wisdom as from an unquenchable urge to intrigue, they had produced a climate of aggrandisement; Abdullah's plans held an awesome fascination. Abdullah had always been "on the offensive" and his unshakeable self-confidence was impervious to the grievances of his new Palestinian subjects. Abul Huda has no such protective aura. His policy of expediency and administrative measure had not the binding spell, and, once being on the defensive, he has had to retreat step by step. He had to release all political prisoners, except "hard criminals and Communists," after their 48-hour hunger-strike. Opposition "petitions" became more numerous and more offensive (in both senses.)

Wobbly Extremism

Abul Huda tried a more judicious distribution of offices. He adopted an intransigent line vis-à-vis Israel as a concession to the wobbly extremism of the Palestinians, always apt to suggest that Amman was too unconcerned and too conciliatory. The Palestinian Ministers in turn showed renegade zeal in stultifying any measure designed to relieve the border situation or the plight of the refugees. Thus the new Government reveals a more extremist trend than the previous one. Finally the break with Iraq, whose Hashemite dynasty pursued Abdullah's union plans, forced the dispirited policy makers of Amman to seek alignment with Syria.

The election in the Lebanon of Chamoun, a fervent supporter of Abdullah's ideas, contrasted with the political decline of Jordan. The election was an undoubted victory for the Moslems. While Bishara el Khoury had supported the Arab League in order to safeguard Lebanese independence, Chamoun is, on the strength of his past record, a genuine pan-Arabist. He made major efforts for the propagation of Abdullah's Greater Syria scheme for the fusion of all northern Arab countries between the mouths of the Euphrates and Tigris and the Mediterranean. As part of the plan, he pleaded (among others, with the Mufti) for the annexation of Arab Palestine to Trans-Jordan. In March 1949, at a meeting in the Rockefeller Museum, he, the Christian, inveighed against the internationalization of Jerusalem, pleading the "Arab character" of the city.

Syria's Ambitions

Chamoun's hankering after a Greater Syria has found a field nearer home. Many of Junbulat's opposition group that carried Chamoun to power, are imbued with the spirit of Anton Saade's suppressed Syrian-Nationalist Party, which has been fighting for the merger of Syria and the Lebanon. Chamoun and the former opposition are indebted to the Syrian dictator for his past support.

Taken by and large, events in the Lebanon and Jordan converge in common trends. One is the increase in nationalism and intransigence. The other is that the Lebanon, after the resignation of Bishara el Khoury — as had been the case with the death of Abdullah in Jordan — has lost a politician who did not share the common prejudices against the West. Camille Chamoun, influenced by Junbulat's neutralism, signed the "Peace Petition" in 1951. This attitude, superimposed on his Arab nationalism, probably makes him a harder partner for the West than was his predecessor. The third trend is that both countries have become prone to take their cue from Damascus, which aspires to leadership in the Arab world; this of course makes things more awkward for everybody.

JERUSALEM ART NOTES

Dutch Graphic Art

THE exhibition of Dutch Contemporary Graphic Art, which opened last week in the Bezalel Museum, is truly representative for the classical land of graphics. The selection, for which seven directors of famous Dutch Graphic Cabinets are responsible, is absolutely catholic. All trends in contemporary Dutch art, from abstract composition to conservative illustration, are shown in works, the technical perfection of which is the common denominator of this exhibition. There is no print in the collection that could not be shown to art students as an instructive specimen of technique. "Sincerity in conception. Decency in execution": this motto of the Guilds of Flemish Artists holds in the 20th century as well as it did in the 15th.

To discuss 162 works by 52 artists is a clear impossibility. Hence the critic has limited himself to enumerating those prints he would have picked for his own folders. First I would have chosen M.C. Escher's "A World of its Own", a haunting marvel of surrealist art, giving the view from a tower over a moonscape in six different perspectives. And, being free to do so, I would also have taken his uncanny "Stars," and "Hands," a lithograph of a perfection that defies description.

The conservative counterpart of the surrealist Escher is Kuno Brinks, a master engraver, whose eight etchings are absolutely classic. That I would have taken the two "Don Quixote" engravings is purely subjective. Dijkstra's "Sick Man" is a masterpiece of a grand-size woodcut with an amazing clarity of composition. Ap Sok masters in his landscapes the noble art of significant understatement in the manner of the best Japanese. There is a strong rhythm in the "Accordion Player" by N. Eckman. William van Leusden's etchings of a dream world, featuring a dangerously animated flora, re-enacting the tragedy of Laocoon and other mythological disasters, are fascinating fantasies. The exciting patterns drawn by flame and smoke in W. Reters's "Fire", the clarity of line in the engravings by van Rossem, are given with equal perfection.

Jenny Dalenoord's lino-cuts have the naivity of medieval pilgrim prints and G. van Rees's Bible woodcuts are beautiful in a simple way. A fine illustrator in Dore's style is D. van Gelder, but he works his wood blocks better than Dore's engravers ever did. Another illustrator of the highest standard is van der Giersen. Colder than Escher is Henk Albers, whose lithos are the final accomplishment of virtuoso technique. The ex libris by D. van Luijn and Pam Rueter are applied arts of the very best.

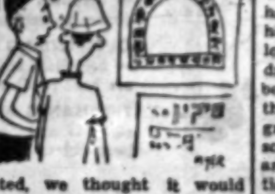
The colour woodcuts by Bezart have a strangely pleasing atmosphere of their own. H. van Kreuningen's colour lithos are spirited fun. Jo Bezaan has sent only one print, but his "Small Bird" holds its own in this select company. Animals that have strayed over from the world-behind-the-looking-glass are the themes of J.M. Prange and Maisie van Hoogstraten.

Reviewing "Dutch Contemporary Graphic Art", just after a visit to the Jerusalem Artists exhibition, it would be unfair to compare this display of old cultural tradition with that of a pioneer country. However, studying the amazing variety of Dutch prints, one is struck by the fact that only a few of our artists are conversant with the variegated techniques of reproductive graphics. It is a riddle why our artists do not produce more lithos and woodcuts, etchings and engravings. Good reproductive graphic art in our art shops would be a valuable antidote to both the trash offered to the tourists, and the boring prints offered to the locals.

T.A.F.M.

KEEPING POSTED

WE were sitting waiting at a municipal health department the other day, and as we waited we studied the posters with which the walls are decorated. Half way down the passage we saw one that looked like a large blue "D" lying on its back, and, we thought, some little people crawling about. As we were actually about ot have our eyes tested, we thought it would be a good thing to try them out on this, and continued to study the curious object. After a while we could make out lettering along the framework of the "D," apparently clearly Japanese. This was so unexpected that we finally got up and had a proper look at the thing. As we came up to it suddenly it jumped into focus, and was a phrase in elaborately distorted Hebrew lettering, telling newcomers (if they could make it out) that Hebrew is the Gateway to Israel.



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A little boy whose aunt works in the Knesset restaurant in Jerusalem spent the holidays with religious relations in a Moshav. He agreed quite eagerly when they suggested he should come to the Beth Knesset (Synagogue) with them, but during the service he became restless, and his face grew longer and longer. He did not actually complain until they were on the way home. And then he only said mildly that he thought their Knesset — in Jerusalem — was nicer, because you got tea and cake there.

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NOT all children are so well served. We have heard of a little kiosk in Mahne Yehuda, whose owner for a long time refused to serve soda water to children during school hours. Whenever a child came up to get a drink, he firmly said he had none, waited till the child was out of hearing, and then told any adult within hearing that he thought iced drinks were bad for children while they were running around and getting hot. Towards the end of the summer he softened a little, because he said he couldn't bear the look in the eyes of the children, and anyway they didn't believe him any longer, because they saw he sold soda to grown-ups. Even then he never sold a gazoz without a long argument, and endless exhortations to the young customers not to get too hot.

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A friend of ours who has waged a long battle against dirt and unhygienic practices in shops tells us that she was at her grocer's recently and noticed a man who made his way to the little showcase full of cakes, took them out one by one, sniffed and handled them, shook his head doubtfully, and put them back again. Our friend, who had been meaning to buy some cake herself, protested to the grocer. He hushed her firmly, and explained to her quietly that it was quite all right, in fact the man was only doing his duty, as he was the sanitary inspector.

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WE have been fascinated to read of the French experiments in telling housewives about the high cost of marketing products. We are told that one way in which the French farmer is contributing is by putting a little slip of paper in suitable vegetables, such as a cauliflower, reading "I was bought for three francs. How much did you pay for me?" The price of a cauliflower in Paris is between 80 and 100 francs (about 500 pruta) and Paris housewives are nettled.

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